

COUNTRY East Germany REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Military Information from Wismar

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1. On 10 January 1953, the Flak Kaserne south of Luebsche Strasse, Wismar, was occupied almost to capacity by about 800 to 1,000 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including some with artillery insignia; black-bordered crimson or black-bordered black epaulets. Two radio stations were seen in the training area beside the installation; trailer [REDACTED] was in the yard; and about 20 soldiers did entrenching work in the training area. [REDACTED]

2. On 6 February, the east section of the Flak Kaserne was heavily occupied by an infantry unit. Ninety-five percent of the windows of the quarters were lighted at dusk. At 0:30 a.m. on 7 January, [REDACTED] several tanks leaving the installation toward Schwerin. Beginning 20 January, [REDACTED] any drill in the barracks area, but several companies with small arms daily after 10 a.m. left the installation toward the airfield. The companies returned at 4 p.m. At about 4 p.m. on 6 February, 5 trucks each towing a 57-mm AT gun and each occupied by 8 soldiers entered the installation, coming from the town.

3. On 6 February, the west section of the Flak Kaserne was heavily occupied by an artillery unit. Ninety-five percent of the windows of the quarters were lighted after nightfall. At about 10:30 a.m. on 30 January, 11 trucks each occupied by 8 soldiers and towing a 122-mm howitzer, entered the installation, coming from the direction of Schwerin. [REDACTED] the trucks belonged to a unit not stationed there before, as the numbers of the motor vehicles [REDACTED] there previously. At about 3 p.m. on 5 February, three trucks, each occupied by 6 soldiers and each towing a 122-mm howitzer were seen in the installation. [REDACTED]

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1. [] Comment. The information in this report, especially that contained in paragraphs 2 and 3, confirms the 288th Gds Mtz Rifle Regt in the east section, and the 199th Gds Gun Arty Regt of the 94th Gds Mtz Rifle Div in the west section of the Flak Kaserne until 6 February 1953. See [] The howitzers are fairly definitely [] belong to the gun artillery regiment which has a third battalion equipped with 12 x 122-mm field howitzers. Source of paragraphs 2 and 3 also mentioned the howitzers in the reference report. It is possible that [] the motor vehicle numbers [] with the howitzers as a large number of vehicles were not in use during the training at home stations and reappeared only after the beginning of field training.

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